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**THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF THE VIRGINIA BOARD OF EDUCATION  
TO STUDY AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS RELATIVE TO TEACHER  
LICENSURE ASSESSMENTS**

**Minutes**  
April 22, 2005

**Meeting Date and Location:** April 22, 2005  
Virginia Crossings Resort  
1000 Virginia Center Parkway  
Glen Allen, Virginia

**Committee Members Present:**

Thomas M. Jackson, Jr.	Betty Hobbs
Debra Abadie	David L. Johnson
Phillip W. Wishon (for Doug Brown)	Linda W. Kelly
Nancy M. Davenport	Betty Lambdin
Jo Lynne DeMary	Andrew J. Rotherham
William H. Graves, III	Ella P. Ward
Edgar B. Hatrick, III	

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mr. Thomas M. Jackson, Jr., called to order the meeting of *The Special Committee of the Virginia Board of Education to Study and Make Recommendations Relative to Teacher Licensure Assessments*.

**OPENING REMARKS AND WELCOME**

Mr. Thomas M. Jackson, Jr., made opening remarks, and welcomed committee members and guests to the meeting.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Betty Hobbs made a motion to accept the minutes of the April 13, 2005, meeting as presented. Linda Kelly seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

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**INTRODUCTION OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

Committee members introduced themselves. Mr. Jackson recognized board members, Isis M. Castro and Eleanor B. Saslaw.

**PRESENTATIONS COMMITTEE DISCUSSION**

The following individuals made presentations on national perspectives on teacher education and licensure assessments. The committee members engaged in conversations with the representatives.

<b>Education Commission of the States</b>	Dr. Charles Coble, Vice-President Policy Studies and Programs Education Commission of the States Denver, Colorado
<b>National Council on Teacher Quality</b>	Kate Walsh, President National Council on Teacher Quality Washington, DC
<b>Urban Institute for Economic and Social Policy Research</b>	Dr. Jane Hannaway, Education Policy Urban Institute for Economic and Social Policy Research Washington, DC
<b>The American Board for Certification of Teacher Excellence (ABCTE)</b>	Dr. Randy Thompson Vice-President ABCTE Washington, DC

**PRESIDER FOR MEETING**

After the presentations and discussion, Mr. Jackson was called away from the meeting. Mr. David Johnson, a member of the Board of Education, presided over the remainder of the meeting.

**NEXT MEETING**

Mr. Johnson announced the next meeting is scheduled for May 10. The committee members requested that a draft proposal be sent in advance to members for consideration.

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**PUBLIC COMMENT**

The following individual spoke during public comment: Leigh Butler, De'Shauna Thornton, Lilla Wise, Tom Shortt, and Jean Braxton. In addition, a letter from Donna Hardy Watson was disseminated to the committee members.

**COMMITTEE DISCUSSION**

In addition to requesting that a draft recommendation be forwarded to committee members prior to the May 10, 2005, meeting, committee members requested the following information:

1. a copy of the Summary Survey Results of Virginia School Divisions;
2. listing of Praxis I scores by state in order of cut scores;
3. data on master's degree majors for licensed teachers; and
4. impact data on Praxis I.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned.